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For:

OPTICAL MODULE, METHOD FOR

MANUFACTURING OPTICAL MODULE AND OPTICAL COMMUNICATION APPARATUS

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.